



STATE OF MICHIGAN
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STATE OF MICHIGAN
STATEWIDE BALLOT PROPOSAL STATUS
NOVEMBER 4, 2008 GENERAL ELECTION

**I. STATEWIDE PROPOSALS QUALIFIED TO APPEAR ON NOVEMBER 4, 2008
GENERAL ELECTION BALLOT**

- A. COALITION FOR COMPASSIONATE CARE:** Initiative petition approved as to form June 6, 2007; signatures filed November 20, 2007; petition determined sufficient March 3, 2008; proposal language certified to State Legislature March 3, 2008; 40-day consideration period reserved for State Legislature elapsed April 12, 2008.

Purpose: Legislative initiative to allow under state law the medical use of marihuana.

Contact: Michigan Coalition for Compassionate Care, P.O. Box 20489, Ferndale, MI 48220. Dianne Byrum (517) 333-1606.

**II. LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS CURRENTLY PENDING BEFORE STATE
LEGISLATURE**

None at this date.

**III. STATEWIDE PROPOSAL PETITIONS CURRENTLY BEING REVIEWED FOR
SUFFICIENCY**

None at this date.

**IV. STATEWIDE PROPOSAL PETITIONS "APPROVED AS TO FORM" IN
PREPARATION FOR CIRCULATION**

- A. MEDICAL AND RECREATIONAL PEACE:** Initiative petition approved as to form November 27, 2006.

Purpose: Legislative initiative to permit anyone 18 and over to use cannabis on private property; provide penalties for the use of cannabis in public areas; and permit cultivation of cannabis on residential properties.

Contact: Medical and Recreational Peace, P.O. Box 102, Eaton Rapids, MI 48827-0102.

- B. HEALTH CARE FOR MICHIGAN:** Initiative petition approved as to form December 20, 2007.

Purpose: Proposed constitutional amendment to require the State Legislature to pass laws to ensure that “every Michigan resident has affordable and comprehensive health care coverage through a fair and cost-effective financing system.”

Contact: Health Care for Michigan, 28342 Dartmouth Street, Madison Heights, Michigan 48071. Gary Benjamin (313) 964-4130 Ext. 229.

- C. PART-TIME LEGISLATURE:** Initiative petition approved as to form December 20, 2007.

Purpose: Proposed constitutional amendment to provide for a part-time legislature, reduce legislative salaries and limit legislative benefits.

Contact: Part-time Legislature Ballot Question Committee, 1840 North Michigan #200, Saginaw, Michigan 48602. Gregory C. Schmid (989) 799-4641. Website: <www.PartTimeLegislature.com>.

- D. PEOPLE’S CHOICE TAX REPEAL:** Initiative petition approved as to form February 4, 2008.

Purpose: Proposed constitutional amendment to require a statewide vote on any state statute that creates a new tax, continues a tax, reduces a tax deduction or tax credit or increases the effective rate or base of a tax. The proposed amendment would also extend initiative and referendum petition sponsors certain new petition design and circulation allowances.

Contact: People’s Choice Tax Repeal Committee, 1840 North Michigan #200, Saginaw, Michigan 48602. Gregory C. Schmid (989) 799-4641. Website: <www.TaxRepeal.com>.

- E. STEM CELL RESEARCH:** Initiative petition approved as to form February 4, 2008.

Purpose: Proposed constitutional amendment to permit with certain limitations stem cell research in Michigan.

Contact: Stem Cell Research BQC, P.O. Box 20216, Lansing, Michigan 48901. Mark Burton (517) 974-4004.

- F. MICHIGAN FAIR TAX:** Initiative petition approved as to form February 4, 2008.

Purpose: Proposed constitutional amendment to eliminate the Michigan Income Tax and the Michigan Business Tax and replace those taxes with a sales tax.

Contact: Michigan Fair Tax Proposal Committee, 352 12th Street, Plainwell, Michigan 49080. Micah Kissling (800) 314-6483.

- G. TURN MICHIGAN AROUND:** Initiative petition approved as to form February 4, 2008.

Purpose: Proposed constitutional amendment to provide for a part-time legislature.

Contact: Committee to Turn Michigan Around, 346 West Michigan Avenue, Kalamazoo, Michigan 49007-3737. Steward Sandstrom (269) 381-4000.

- H. PROPORTIONAL SENATE:** Initiative petition approved as to form February 4, 2008.

Purpose: Proposed constitutional amendment to stipulate that the State Senate “shall consist of 50 members to be elected off of candidate lists at large from a statewide election.”

Contact: Proportional Senate Committee, 13423 Agnes Street, Southgate, Michigan 48195. Timothy Kachinski (734) 775-1810. Website: <www.myspace.com/proportionalsenate> Email: <proportional_senate@hotmail.com>

- I. PERSONAL EDUCATION ACCOUNT:** Initiative petition approved as to form February 4, 2008.

Purpose: Proposed constitutional amendment to require the State Legislature to “provide from 4 years of age until the age of 18 years every resident child in Michigan with funding to support education on a per pupil basis which shall be controlled by the parent(s) or legal guardian(s) of each child respectively....”

Contact: Personal Education Account Committee, 13423 Agnes Street, Southgate, Michigan 48195 Timothy Kachinski (734) 775-1810. Website: <www.myspace.com/peainitiative> Email: <peainitiative@hotmail.com>

V. STATEWIDE PROPOSAL PETITIONS SUBMITTED FOR “APPROVAL AS TO FORM”

None at this date.